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For:

RETAINING SYSTEM FOR SECURING A CUTTING TOOL TO A SUPPORT BLOCK

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is

[X] a small entity

[] other than a small entity.

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EXTENSION OF TIME

NOTE: "Extension of Time In Patent Cases (Supplemental Amendments)—If a timely and complete response has been filed after a Non Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period.

If a timely response has been filed after a Final Office Action, an extension of time is required to permit filing and/or entry of a Notice of Appeal or filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period unless the timely filed response placed the application in condition for allowance. Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within the shortened statutory period, the period has ceased to run." Notice of December 10, 1985 (1061 O.G. 34.35).

NOTE: See 37 CFR 1.645 for extensions of time in interference proceedings and 37 CFR 1.550(c) for extensions of time in reexamination proceedings.

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply

(complete (a) or (b) as applicable)

(a) [] Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.17(a) for the total number of months checked below:

| | Extension | Fee for other than | Fee for |
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| | <u>(months)</u> | small entity | small entity |
| [] | one month | \$ 120.00 | \$ 60.00 |
| [] | two months | \$ 450.00 | \$225.00 |
| [] | three months | \$1,020.00 | \$510.00 |

Fee \$__

If an additional extension of time is required please consider this a petition therefore.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

An extension for ___ months has already been secured and the fee paid therefore of \$____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$

OR

(b) [X] Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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Sir:

Applicant is in receipt of an Office Action from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office dated November 1, 2006. Please amend the above-referenced application as follows.

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